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DOE Awards a \$1,900,000 Grant Amendment to Ohio University

LEXINGTON, KY – The U.S. Department of Energy's Portsmouth/Paducah Project Office today awarded a \$1.9 million grant to Ohio University's Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Affairs in Athens, Ohio.

Under the grant, Project Teams led by Ohio University interface with several outside groups and the Department to help forge consensus solutions to technical problems related to the clean-up and future use of the Gaseous Diffusion Plant site. These groups include national laboratories, other academic institutions, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, state regulatory agencies, and the public. The Department will use the Project Teams' technical expertise to assess and implement cost-effective technologies and methodologies that could accelerate safe clean-up and risk reduction at the Gaseous Diffusion Plant site.

The project period of the grant Amendment is from December 24, 2010, until December 31, 2012. The original grant was awarded on January 29, 2010. The Ohio University's Voinovich School is located in Athens, OH, approximately 60 miles to the east of the site of the Department's Gaseous Diffusion Plant located in Piketon, OH.

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